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SBA Hosts Twitter Chat for Young Entrepreneurs

WASHINGTON – Young aspiring business owners are invited to learn the basics on how to turn good ideas into profitable ventures at the live Twitter chat on Feb. 19 hosted by the U.S. Small Business Administration (@SBAgov).

Tameka Montgomery from SBA's Office of Entrepreneurial Development and Bridget Weston Pollack from SBA's resource partner SCORE will share tips on developing a business plan, ways to get startup financing, and how to overcome those initial hurdles entrepreneurs face when starting out.

The event will be held during National Entrepreneurship Week, Feb. 15-22 (#sbaEweek).

Small business owners Dan Price, co-Founder and CEO of Gravity Payments (<u>@DanPriceSeattle</u>) and Genevieve F. Thiers, CEO and Founder of Sittercity.com (<u>@genevievethiers</u>) will share their stories of creating a successful company. Price and Thiers are former SBA National Young Entrepreneur award winners.

WHAT: SBA Twitter Chat: Startup Advice Young Entrepreneurs Love

WHEN: Wednesday, Feb. 19, 3 p.m. -- 4 p.m. EST

HOW: Hashtag: #sbaEweek

No registration is needed, but you must have a Twitter Account

"Young entrepreneurs are our nation's future business moguls," states Judy McCauley, West Virginia District Director. "I encourage all young aspiring business owners to take advantage of this social media outlet training and learn how to turn ideas into business ventures."

Meanwhile, do you think you're ready to start a business? Check out the free SBA online course for young entrepreneurs at http://go.usa.gov/BKzk. It will help you understand the steps you need to get started on building a successful business.